October 7, 2013

Selectmen's Minutes

Selectmen: Richard Carver, Nancy Colson, Linda Post

Present: Tom Edwards (Assessor), Anna Mason, Rodney Mason, Lewis

Edwards, Eric Davis

5:00 PM Assessors meeting called to order. Tom Edwards had the Assessors look at all the Abatement Request that have come in. Then they will have to decide what to do with them. The Assessors have asked Tom Edwards to write a letter to them and have them come before them on October 22, 2013 4:00 PM so they can give more information as to why they want this abatement. They are only going to allow 15 minutes per person. Tom Edwards is going to print out information on each abatement so the Assessors can review them ahead of time.

Tom went over the State Ratio report with the Assessors. He said we are looking better then last year.

Richard Carver made a motion to accept the summary sheet (see attached sheet) for abatements of \$15,300.58. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Nancy Colson made a motion to accept the Summary sheet (see attached sheet) for supplements of 14,792.99. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor.

Richard Hurlbert sent a letter to the Assessors, requesting a meeting to discuss the tax increase. The selectmen voted to have a letter written to Mr. Hurlbert to have submit an abatement then they would be more then glad to meet with him.

6:00 PM Assessors meeting adjourned

6:00 PM Selectmen's meeting begins

Our Lawyer for the Fogg case is Mr. Benjamin. He is going to write a letter to the other lawyer about our computers. He will be in the office on Tuesday, October 8, 2013 and will bring us a copy of it. He is going to meet with Frank Ross. Nancy Colson called him up to ask about her computer. It had a virus and needed to wiped, she was instructed to download her computer before she could get hers fixed.

Linda Post made a motion to refund 1/2 of a tax payment to Skip Pease's office. Nancy seconded it. All in favor.

Lillian Robbins wrote a letter to the Selectmen for approval to remove a dead tree at the Evergreen Cemetery that is over her mom's grave. Nancy Colson made a

motion to give her permission to get it removed. Linda Post seconded it. All in Favor. Lillian Robbins also mentioned that across the way are some stones and graves that are sinking. Richard Carver said to ask the cemetery committee to check into it.

Rodney Mason was present for the discussion of the ramp at the Public Wharf. MMA says it has to be replaced. Rodney Mason said he knew of a structural engineer that could draw up a blue print of a ramp for that location. Richard Carver said the town could pay for a blue print that will have to go out to bid, out of the waterfront money. Richard Carver also told him that after the ramp goes out to bid that we would have to get a loan to do the repairs, then that would require a town meeting.

Rodney also mentioned we should have some signs on the wharf. Examples like how long you can tie up to the float. The selectmen said they would look into it. See if there are any ordinances for that.

Conservation Commission - Tax Donations. We have been trying to get a hold of an IRS agent to go over town donations with us. No response yet.

Community Building - The hood for the kitchen - The kitchen committee is interested in helping us update it, but they are waiting to hear from the Garden Club. We will table this until the next meeting.

Parking Lot (front and back) - Richard Carver talked to William Leppanen and he said that Mariners can't do it this fall but it would get done in the spring.

Warrants & Payroll were approved.

Richard Carver made a motion to accept the minutes from September 16, 2013 as written. Nancy Colson second it. All in favor.

Public Forum - No one had anything to say.

6:35 PM meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pam Curtis Recording Secretary